

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 576

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Haley Rose Allen, 2009
Valedictorian of Henry County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Haley Rose Allen is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2009 graduating class at Henry County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Allen has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Haley has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while participating in a number of school-related clubs and activities; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the distinction of Valedictorian status, Ms. Allen will graduate as an Effort Scholar and a Tennessee Scholar; her other honors include membership on the Teen Advisory Board, selection as an Alternate for Girls' State, receipt of the School Board Recognition Award, and election as "Most Likely to Succeed" by her peers at Henry County High; and

WHEREAS, she has received several scholarships in recognition of her accomplishments and potential for further academic success, and some of her architectural work has been featured at the Sheldon Museum in St. Louis; in her spare time, Ms. Allen enjoys drawing, painting, reading, making movies, photography, and engaging in her own personal research projects; and

WHEREAS, guided and invigorated by her faith, Haley is a valued member of First United Methodist Church of Paris; and

WHEREAS, Haley's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Jennifer Allen and Philip Allen, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Haley's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2009 Henry County High School Valedictorian, Haley Rose Allen, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.